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REPRODUCING METHOD, AND DATA RECORDING  
AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

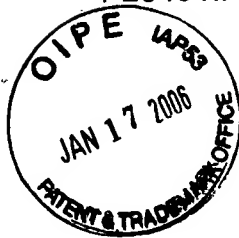
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In response to the Final Official Action of October 17, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 17, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this Response.



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Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.

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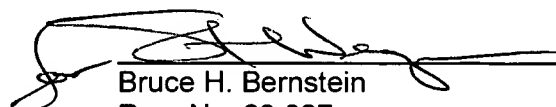
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